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3 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
4 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
5 AT TACOMA

6 JAMES PHILIP DOUGLAS,

7 Plaintiff,

8 v.

9 PIERCE COUNTY, et al,

10 Defendants.

Case No. C09-5214BHS-KLS

ORDER REGARDING PLAINTIFFS
MOTION FOR ORDER OF 90 DAY STAY

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12 This matter has been referred to Magistrate Judge Karen L. Strombom pursuant to 28
13 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1), Local Rules MJR 3 and 4, and Rule 72 of the Federal Rules of Civil
14 Procedure. The case is before the Court upon plaintiff's filing of a motion for a 90-day stay of
15 these proceedings. (Dkt. #6). After reviewing plaintiff's motion and the balance of the record, the
16 Court finds and ORDERS as follows:

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18 Plaintiff filed a civil rights complaint with this Court on April 14, 2009 (Dkt. #1-#4). On
19 April 20, 2009, the Court issued an order to show cause, informing plaintiff that his complaint
20 contained a number of deficiencies, and directing him to file an amended complaint curing, if
21 possible, those deficiencies, by no later than May 30, 2009. (Dkt. #5). Plaintiff filed his motion
22 for a 90-day stay on May 26, 2009, stating he was doing so because he was scheduled to begin a
23 two-week trial in Pierce County Superior Court beginning on June 3, 2009.

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25 Given that, based on what the Court has been told, plaintiff's state court trial likely will
26 end sometime next week, a stay of the entire proceedings in this case is unwarranted. Plaintiff's

1 motion for a 90-day stay (Dkt. #6), therefore, hereby is DENIED. The Court, though, shall grant
2 plaintiff a 45-day extension of time in which to respond to the above-noted order to show cause
3 as directed therein, which should provide an adequate amount of time after the conclusion of his
4 trial in which to do so. Accordingly, plaintiff's response to the Court's order to show cause shall
5 be due by **no later than July 30, 2009**.

6 The clerk is directed to send a copy of this Order to plaintiff.
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8 DATED this 15th day of June, 2009.
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12 Karen L. Strombom
13 United States Magistrate Judge
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